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Subject: International Conference "The Hemp and its Binders. Materials, Techniques, Research actions in Italy and in Europe: Hemp in building Sector towards new professions" related the Erasmus+ CanaPaea European Project promoted by ANAB. Rome, February 16th 2018.

After the success of "The triumph of Hemp" conference held last November in Crocetta del Montello (TV, Italy), we are here announcing the next event dedicated to the world of hemp in the building sector.

Within the Erasmus+ CANAPALEA European Project, ANAB will arrange a new conference about a new disclosure and technical analysis.

The conference is then scheduled for Friday, February 16th, 2018 at the University of Rome 3, Rome and will be considered as free admission.

ANAB has been involved in the disclosure action related the use of Hemp in the constructions for about 10 years; today we are the first and most important national reality to take care of the professionalization in the use of this material with great potential and unlimited property, through theoretical-practical classes and conferences. Thanks the historic collaboration with Assocanapa (the association that "brought HEMP back to life in Italy"), we have created the synergies that have led the Italian legislation to the full legalization of the industrial hemp, that can be actually used in the construction sector, also by attending the hearings at the Chamber of Deputies for the drafting of Law no. 242 dated December 2nd, 2016.

In the latest decade the ANAB technicians have strongly contributed to the field of research and development in the construction industry, acquiring more and more experience and making it available to the construction world as well. ANAB promotes the use of hemp as a material particularly suitable for use in architecture, as it has high potential in the field of green building, and an excellent both thermal and acoustic insulation as well through the hygrometric property. The use of this material is in line with the principles of the Association regarding the environment condition, biodegradability, recyclability, etc. The industrial derivatives of the hemp processing, that is the wool fibers and the hemp hurds, have revealed such high potential applications in the construction world today, offering solutions of strong eco-sustainability for the environmental condition.

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The real sustainability and insulating effectiveness of hemp-based composites is a strongly connected theme related the type of binder used in the mixture process.

The subject got much debated, and the CANAPALEA project has allowed us to see more solutions in different EU countries, often influenced by commercial dynamic aspects.

The final purpose of the Rome conference was to better understand the links, characteristics and properties of different techniques and mixtures through the scientific experience of Professors and Researchers.

During the day we will try to answer the questions raised by the survey that took place in Italy and abroad about the CANAPALEA project, regarding knowledge of the use of hemp in construction.

The statistical data collected by the CANAPALEA surveys, promoted by ANAB, on the use and dissemination of hemp in building in Italy will be also made public.

You will then be able to figure out the research conducted by some manufacturers of building materials based on hemp.

The intention is to provide designers with the most objective technical information on hemp-based solutions, in order to increase their knowledge.

Finally, the conference aims at the ambitious purpose of actually raising awareness of using hemp in the Public sector, encouraging the introduction of this material in its project as the best practice.

Speakers and trainers will be attending the conference in Rome, as well as experts in the field of both national and international relevance, and some other international partners contributions will be introduced.

The Conference will be considered as a free event to the Technicians and professionals of the various professional Associations and Colleges, Category Associations, university students and the general public.

The decision to carry out the training event in Rome at the RomaTre University resulted from the desire to put the academic realities in communication with the professional and productive ones, and to compare the state of the research in the related sectors.

Seen the international stature of the event, ANAB has established a collaborative relationship with the journalistic CanapaIndustriale, which will play the role of media partner for the event and will contribute to publish interview-video production, in addition to the disclosure of the event during the launch period.

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